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NEW QUARANTINE BRANCH

A Quarantine Branch in the Epidemiology Division, Preventive Medicine Service, has been established under the direction of Lieutenant Colonel Phillip T. Knies, Army Quarantine Liaison Officer. Close cooperation will be maintained with the Public Health Service, the Navy, and other Government agencies concerned with quarantine.

The new program, which aims to extend precautionary measures throughout the Army's far-flung routes of travel, is part of the Medical Department's continuing battle against disease, which has given this country the healthiest fighting forces in the world and the healthiest soldiers in any war in history.

Whereas quarantine in the past has depended mainly upon examination of passengers and cargo on arrival, the new Army quarantine policy takes advantage of the Army immunization program, the constant medical supervision of the soldier, and new methods for the control of insects and rodents. In addition, the Army will continue to cooperate with civil agencies in the enforcement of existing restrictions against the importation of many plants, animals and curios which might harbor diseases or pests.

Future developments in the field of quarantine, according to the report submitted by the Inter-departmental Quarantine Commission (which included representatives of the Army, Navy and Public Health Service), will feature greatly improved methods for the international notification of disease, along with improved health certification of travelers. The extensive military program now being developed is expected to go far in demonstrating the value of new methods growing out of wartime medical progress.

General Kirk Compliments Medical Supply Organization

Speaking before the Commanding Officers of Medical Depots, meeting in St. Louis, Mo., this month, Major General Norman T. Kirk, The Surgeon General, complimented them on their medical supply organization. The Medical Department, he pointed out, besides being a doctor to over seven million men has had to provide medical supplies under varying and difficult circumstances. This immense supply organization has been welded into a well oiled machine with all of the various parts of it carrying its load and delivering its output.

"The volume of items processed by the Medical Department exceeded that of the Quartermaster in September of this year. The Medical Department processed 144,000 line items for overseas as compared to Quartermaster's 141,000. Only Ordnance and Engineers exceeded the Medical Department. A like comparison is evident for domestic shipments. The Medical Department processed 313,000 domestic line items and was only exceeded by Ordnance and the Quartermaster."

He concluded with the words "you are all doing a grand job."

STRENGTH OF THE ARMY MIDICAL DEPARTMENT

In connection with the recent announcement that the Army is no longer recruiting physicians, the following figures are of interest:

The Army Medical Department has grown from 8,010 at the beginning of World War I until it now numbers 680,891. Of this number approximately 44,651 are in the Medical Corps, 14,948 in the Dental Corps, 2,012 in the Veterinary Corps, 2,364 in the Sanitary Corps, 15,078 in the Medical Administrative Corps, 59 in the Pharmacy Corps, 40,305 in the Army Nurse Corps, and there are 559, 327 enlisted men, 813 Physical Therapy Aides, and 1, 334 Hospital Dietitians.

GENERAL LULL DEDICATES VAUGHAN HOSPITAL

At special ceremonies held in Hines, Ill., Majer General George F. Lull, USA, Deputy Surgeon General, dedicated Vaughan General Hespital, which will specialize in medicine and psychiatry.

Colonel Victor Clarence Waughan, in whose memory the hospital has been named, was one of the leading bacteriologists and toxicologists of his day. He was commissioned a Major in the U. S. Army during the Spanish-American War and was a member of the commission headed by Walter Reed to study the cause and prevention of typhoid fever, then epidemic in military camps.

During the World War, Colonel Vaughan served in the Office of The Surgeon General and was on the executive committee of the general medical board of the Council of National Defense. He served as president of the American Medical Association and of the American Tuberculosis Association. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his outstanding work in epidemiology and was made a knight of the Legion of Honor by the French government. He died in 1929.

Upjohn Company Receives Army-Navy "E" Award

At special ceremonies held at the plant on the 24th of November, the Upjohn Company of Kalamazco, Mich., was presented with the Army-Navy Award for their excellent production record in supplying vital pharmaceuticals for the armed forces. In a letter to the company, Major General George F. Lull, Deputy Surgeon General, said "The men and women of your company can well be proud of your production record. Your organization has given this office the greatest cooperation in the supply of pharmaceuticals — the use of which is vital and necessary in performing the mission of the Medical Department. The products you supply to the Medical Department have been outstanding both in the volume produced and quality of production."

Lieutenant Colonel J. G. Nob, Director of the Purchasing Division, Army Medical Purchasing Office, New York City, made the presentation speech, and awarded the "E" insignia.

BRITISH PSYCHIATRIST INSPECTS ARMY FACILITIES HERE

Brigadier John R. Rees, Consulting Psychiatrist to the British Army, now in this country as Salmon guest lecturer, visited the Office of The Surgeon General this month where he conferred with the Neuropsychiatry Consultants Division and then inspected neuropsychiatric facilities at Crile General Hospital in Cleveland, Ohie, and Winter General Hospital in Topeka, Kan. While in Kansas he also participated in the Under Secretary of War's Conference at Fort Leavenworth on "The Military Offender."

Brigadier Rees delivered the annual Thomas W. Salmon Lectures at the New York Academy of Medicine on November 20, 21 and 22, and is now on a lecture tour as guest of the Salmon Committee. The Salmon Lectures were founded in honor of Colonel Thomas W. Salmon, MC, who was chief of neuropsychiatry in World War I.

PRAISE FROM OVERSEAS

Following is an extract from a personal letter written "not far from Germany" by Corporal J. C. Kreamer of the Infantry to Colonel Floyd L. Wergeland, MC, Director of the Training Division, Office of The Surgeon General:

"My life now rests in the hands of God and the Medical Corps.

Due to the mud and cold I developed a case of GI's and was sent to the collecting station for treatment. I cannot say enough for the care I received. —— It was not only the technical skill that was shown me but more than that, — the unfailing courtesy, sympathy, and cheerfulness of the men in the corps. You and your staff should be congratulated for the splendid training program that you have instituted and are maintaining. Whatever you may have been told about the aid men, know that it is all true. There is not a GI here who has been up front who does not have a word of praise for the men with the Red Cross brassard."

GENERAL SIMMONS, PRESIDENT-ELECT OF ASTM

Brigadier General James S. Simmons, USA, Chief of the Preventive Medicine Service, SGO, was chosen as "President-Elect" of the American Society of Tropical Medicine at its annual meeting held recently (Nov. 13-16) in St. Louis, Mo.

SGO OFFICERS TALK ON PREVENTIVE MEDICINE PROBLEMS

Officers from the Preventive Medicine Service who presented papers in St. Louis, Mo., the week of the Southern Medical Association meeting (Nov. 13-16) included the following:

Lieutenant Colonel O. R. McCoy, MC, Director, Tropical Disease Control Division, addressed the National Malaria Society on the Suppressive Treatment of Malaria in Military Forces.

Lieutenant Colonel Phillip T. Knies, MC, Army Quarantine Liaison Officer and Assistant Director, Epidemiology Division, addressed The American Society of Tropical Medicine on Foreign Quarantine in Military Training.

Major D. W. Walker, MC, Executive Officer, Preventive Medicine Service, addressed the American Society of Tropical Medicine on Some Epidemiological Aspects of Infectious Hepatitis in the U. S. Army.

Captain Granville Larimore, MC, Chief, Education Branch, Venereal Disease Control Division, addressed the Southern Branch of the American Public Health Association on National Post-War Venereal Disease Control.

Whole Blood Shipments Start In Pacific

Whole blood shipments to the Pacific battlefront started on November 16. The blood is collected in San Francisco, Oakland and Los Angeles by the Red Cross, typed by Army and Navy laboratories, and flown by Navy plane across the Pacific for joint use by the armed forces.

Although West Coast shipments of ice-packed whole blood started on a small scale, over 200 pints a day are now being called for to make the 3-day Pacific flight. Meanwhile, daily flights of whole blood donated in New York, Boston and Washington, cross the Atlantic within 24 hours for use in the European theatre of operations.

COLONEL ROGERS NAMED FOR PROMOTION

Colonel John A. Rogers, MC, of Nashua, N. H., formerly on duty in Washington as Executive Officer in the Office of The Surgeon General, and now Surgeon with the First Army in the European Theater, was among those recently recommended by President Roosevelt for promotion to Brigadier General. In July, he was awarded the Legion of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from October 20, 1943 to May 31, 1944."

Born in Nashua, N. H., Colonel Rogers obtained his medical degree from Tufts Medical College, Medford, Mass., in 1914. Formerly a member of the New Hampshire National Guard, he entered the Medical Corps of the Regular Army in 1933, serving at posts in this country and in Hawaii.

COLONEL RUSSELL ASSIGNED TO ARMY MEDICAL SCHOOL

Colonel Paul Russell, MC, former malariologist in the North African Theater, has been assigned to the Army Medical Center of Washington, D. C., as an instructor in tropical medicine. He recently returned from a year's service in Africa and Italy. While in Washington he conferred with Brigadier General Simmons, USA, Chief of the Preventive Medicine Service, on the prevention and control of malaria in the North African Theater.

Prior to entering the Medical Corps in 1942, Colonel Russell was associated with the Rockefeller Foundation. From 1942 to 1943, he was in the Office of The Surgeon General as Chief of the Tropical Disease Control Division.

RECENT PROMOTIONS, MEDICAL CORPS OFFICERS

Lieutenant Colonel to Colonel

PAUL IRVING CARTER, Portland, Ore. WILLIAM RANDOLPH LOVELACE, Rochester, Minn.

RAYMOND RUDOLF DECKER, Lewistown, Pa.

GEORGE ABRAM HATCHER, Cedar Grove, N. J.

HAROLD FOOR MACHLAN, Hines, Ill.

IRA CLYDE MILLER, Camp Hill, Pa.

LOUIS MCDONALD ORR, Orlando, Fla.

EMMETT MONTGOMERY SMITH, San Antonio, Tex.

HAROLD FOOR MACHLAN, Hines, Ill.

FRANK FLORENCE SCHADE, Los Angeles, Calif.

MARSHALL MERRILL BEST, Xenia, Ohio

ROBERT HAYNES BARR, Owensboro, Ky.

Major to Lieutenant Colonel

GUY APLIN FINNEY, Topeka, Kan. DICKINSON SERGEANT PEPPER, Cynwyd, Pa. GILMORE MAURICE SANES, Pittsburg, Pa.

ABRAHAM MAX BALTER, Aspinwall, Pa.

FRANK PINKARD CAMPBELL, Lawrenceville, Ill. RAY GINGLES STARK, Kirksey, Ky.

GEORGE ROBERT KRAUSE, Cleveland, Ohio

JAMES EDMUND VICKERS, San Bernarding, Calif. EDWARD PARNALL, Rochester, N.Y. JAMES RAE ARNEILL, JR., Denver, Colc. CLIFFORD WESLEY COLWELL, Flint, Mich. WILLIAM HOWARD HECK, San Antonio, Tex. GEORGE HARTWELL INGRAM, Little Rock, Ark. CLAIR LOCKSLEY DOUGLAS, Detroit, Mich.
ROBERT JOHNSON NEEDLES, St. Petersburg, Fla. GEORGE BASS GRANT, New Orleans, La.
PETER E. HIEBERT, Kansas City, Kan.

JAMES ISRAEL BERKMAN, Cambridge, Mass.

MILTON BURT HANDELSMAN, Brooklyn, N.Y. CHARLES JULIAN HUFNAGEL Excelsior Springs, Mo. HARVEY FREDERICK POTTER, Brocklyn, N.Y. CLARENCE ELBERT JUMP, Roseberg, Ore.

HENRY GERARD SCHWARTZ, St. Louis, Mo. JOSEPH BIDDLE PRIESTLEY, Des Moines, Iowa THEODORE J. C. VON STORCH, East Greenbush, N. ARVIN EARL TROLLINGER, Perry Point, Md.

RICHARD HELE YOUNG, Evanston, Ill.

BRITTAIN FORD PAYME Now York N.Y. ARVIN EARL TROLLINGER, Perry Point, Md. RICHARD HELE YOUNG, Evanston, Ill. BRITTAIN FORD PAYNE, New York, N.Y. HENRY ALBERT BURSTEIN, Toledo, Chio CHARLES LAWRENCE von POHLE, Chandler, Ariz. MOSES ROBERT BUCHMAN, Scarsdale, N.Y.

CHARLES FLETCHER MCCUSKEY, Glendale, Cal. IRL RICHARD LONG, Birmingham, Ala. ROBERT CHARLES HUNTER, Jr. Chicago, Ill. JAMES BLESSING MORAN, Providence, R.I. HARVEY STUART ALLEN, Chicago, Ill. WILLIAM WALTON BONDURANT Jr., San Antonio, Tex. HENRY GERARD SCHWARTZ, St. Louis, Mo. THEODORE J. C. VOW STORCH, East Greenbush, N.Y.

PROMOTIONS, OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL

Captain to Major

MYRON T. BOSS, MC, of Takoma Park, Md., Assistant to the Chief of the Induction Branch, Physical Standards Division. GEORGE E. HOWARD, MAC, of Chicago, Ill., of Stock Control Division, Supply Service.

GENERALS SPEAK IN INDIANA

Major General George Lull, USA, Deputy Surgeon General, and Brigadier General James S. Simmons, USA, Chief of Preventive Medicine Service, Office of The Surgeon General, addressed a joint luncheon meeting of the Optimist and Rotary Clubs on November 21 in Evansville, Ind. General Lull spoke on the care of the sick and wounded while General Simmons spoke on guarding the health of G.I. Joe.

In the evening both generals were guests at a dinner meeting of the Tri County Medical Association where General Lull told about the organization of the Medical Department and General Simmons discussed preventive medicine in the modern army.

Colonel Elmendorf from Canal Zone Visits in Washington

Lieutenant Colonel John E. Elmendorf, Jr., MC, Assistant Commandant and Chief Instructor of the army School of Malariology in the Panama Canal Zone, is now in Washington conferring with SGO officials on malaria control.

Now "Radiology" Branch

The name of the Radiation Branch, Surgical Consultants Division, Office of The Surgeon General, has been changed to Radiology Branch, Surgical Consultants Division.

COLONEL KLOPP APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL DIVISION

Lieutenant Colonel J. B. Klopp, MC, has been assigned as Director of the Technical Division, Operations Service, Office of The Surgeon General, replacing Colonel R. G. Prentiss, Jr., MC, who will be assigned overseas.

Colonel Klopp, whose home is Chester, Pa., was a pre-medical student at Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa., and received his medical degree from Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa., in 1925. He interned at Crozer Hospital, Chester, Pa., practiced medicine in Chester until 1941, and for twelve years was medical director of the Chester Public Schools.

He was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps in 1929, was promoted to captain in 1934, and lieutenant colonel in 1942.

In June of 1941, Colonel Klopp was assigned to the Office of The Surgeon General as Assistant in the Field Equipment Branch of the Planning Division and when the Technical Division was organized in February of this year, he became Chief of the Development Branch.

Colonel Klopp recently returned from a 25,000 mile tour of the Central and Southwest Pacific areas of operations where he inspected the medical supplies and equipment.

Prominent British Dental Surgeon Here

Dr. A. E. Rowlett, who represented the British Dental Association at the annual meeting of the American Dental Association held last month (October) in Chicago, was a recent visitor at the Office of The Surgeon General where he conferred with officers of the Dental Division on military dental problems. Dr. Rowlett, a past president of the British Dental Association, is treasurer and acting president of the Federation Dentaire Internationale, and president of the Oral Hygiene Commission of the Federation Dentaire Internationale which is affiliated with the Red Cross of Geneva.

Insect Control Board Subcommittee Meets

The first meeting of the Subcommittee on Biology of the recently organized Insect Control Board of the Office of Scientific Research and Development, was attended by Lieutenant Colonel A. L. Ahnfeldt, MC, Director, Sanitation and Hygiene Division and Lieutenant Colonel O. R. McCoy, Director, Tropical Disease Control Division, who represented the Preventive Medicine Service of the Office of The Surgeon General.

The Board was organized to coordinate all research on insecticides and repellents and report results. The Subcommittee will encourage research along the lines of mechanism of action rather than objective effect. This, it is anticipated, will lead to further improvement of both insecticides and repellents.

RECORD FOOD INSPECTION PROTECTS ARMY'S HEALTH

The Veterinary Service is concerned not only with the health of animals of the Army, but also protects the health of Army personnel through the inspection of meats, meat-food and dairy products which constitute about 38 percent of the soldier's ration.

According to Colonel H. K.Moore, VC, Chief of the Meat and Dairy Hygiene Branch, the Veterinary Corps is inspecting over 700 million pounds of foods animal origin per month. The scope of this work may be judged from the fact that the armed forces require each day about 19,000 cattle, 27,000 hogs, 600 calves and 5,000 sheep and lambs — all of which must be inspected to insure that it is fit for food and that it complies with army specifications as to weight, class and grade, method of processing and packaging.

Because food of animal origin more than any other food is dangerous to the soldier's health when contaminated or spoiled, the Army maintains the strictest possible supervision over these products from the time of purchase until the food is served. As a result, says Colonel Moore, no serious widespread outbreaks of disease traceable to the issue of unwholesome meat, meat-food or dairy products have occurred among our troops.

ASSIGNMENTS, OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ARTHUR P. LONG, MC, of Needham, Mass., formerly overseas, assigned as Acting Director, Epidemiology Division, Preventive Medicine Service.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ROLLAND 9. SIGAFOOS, MC, of Tacoma, Wash., formerly at Carlisle Barracks, Penn., to Operations Service, Training Division.

CAPTAIN AUSTIN S. PHILLIPS, AUS, of Westchester, N. Y., assigned to the

Legal Division.

CAPTAIN CHARLES I. WEST, MC, of Washington, D. C., formerly overseas assigned to Personnel Service, Military Personnel Division.

CAPTAIN ROBERT O. QUACKENBUSH, MAC, of Lawrenceville, Penn., formerly

Officer in Charge Reconditioning Service, assigned to Operations Service.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ANTONIO J. WARRING, JR., MC, of Savannah, Ga., formerly at Carlisle Barracks, Penn., to Medical Intelligence Division, Preventive Medicine Service.

DEPARTURES, OFFICE OF THE SUNGEON GENERAL

COLONEL ROGER G. PRINTISS, JR., MC, of Chevy Chase, Md., formerly Director, Technical Division, Operations Service, to be assigned everseas.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ROBERT L. BLACK, PC, of Brooklyn, N. Y., formerly Director, Storage and Maintenance Division, Supply Service, to be assigned overseas. CAPTAIN BERNARD A. SUGRUE, MAC, of Washington, D. C., formerly in Plans

and Operations Service, to Ft. Belvoir, Va.

General Morgan Addresses Post-War VD Conference

Brigadier General Hugh J. Morgan, USA, Chief Consultant in Medicine, addressed the National Post-War Venereal Disease Conference held recently (Nov. 9 and 10) in St. Louis, Mo. His subject was the "Treatment of Gonorrhea and Syphilis in the U. S. Army."

COLONEL KENT NELSON

Colonel Kent Welson, MC, of Minneapolis, Minn., veteran of forty-three years of service in the Army Medical Corps, and former Seventh Corps Area surgeon at Omaha, Neb., died recently of a heart attack. He was stationed at the University of Minnesota.

A native of Illinois, Colonel Nelson obtained his medical degree from the University of Minnesota in 1900. He served in the Spanish-American War, in the Philippines and in France in the first World War.

DENTAL CONSULTANTS TO THE SURGEON GENERAL

Consultants to The Surgeon General in the field of dentistry who have been appointed since September 1944 include:

Dr. Elbert B. Owen, in private practice in St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. Douglas B. Parker, Associate Professor at Columbia University. Dr. Oswald M. Dresen, Professor of Denture Prosthesis, Marquette

University, Milwaukee, Wis.
Dr. Sanford M. Moose, Professor of Oral Surgery, College of Physicians and Surgeons, San Francisco, Calif.

Dr. Clyde H. Schuyler, in private practice in New York City. Dr. Jack Werner, Professor of Prosthetic Dentistry, College of

Physicians and Surgeons, San Francisco, Calif.
Dr. David McLean, in private practice in San Marino, Calif.

Dr. Grayson W. Gauer, Professor, Dental School, University of Md.

Dr. Earl S. Smith, Professor and head of Department of Clinical

Prosthetic Dentistry, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.
Dr. Sam H. Brock, in private practice, Dallas, Tex.
Dr. Luzerne G. Jordan, in private practice, Washington, D. C.
Dr. Carl W. Waldron, Professor, University of Minnesota, Minn-

capolis, Minn.

Dr. Walter H. Wright, Professor of Anatomy and Presthetic

Dentistry, University of Pittsburg, Pa.
Dr. Mark S. Shiff, in private practice, Portland, Ore.

MEDICAL SOLDIER WINS BATTLEFIELD PROMOTION

Technical Sergeant Jeseph T. Beckett, of Gloucester, N. J., first sergeant of a regimental medical detachment of the 9th Infantry Division, now serving in Germany, has received a battlefield promotion to second lieutenant in the Medical Administrative Corps.

Lieutenant Beckett was inducted into the Army in January 1941, and participated in the North African invasion and Tunisian and Sicilian Campaigns before entering operations in Normandy shortly after D-day.

He was awarded the Legion of Merit, one of the Army's highest honors, for outstanding services performed as a medical technician in the Mediterranean Theatre and received a written commendation from the 9th Division commander for his work with the medical detachment in Tunisia.

A graduate of Gleucester Catholic High School in 1933, Lieutenant Beckett studied at St. Joseph's College, Philadelphia, for a year and a half.

ARMY DOCTORS RECEIVE AWARDS

Carrying on their work in the highest traditions of the medical profession, army doctors are daily receiving awards and decorations for their great contributions to the successful prosecution of the war and the cause of humanity.

The Silver Star was awarded to:

MAJOR MARTIN R. WISELY, MC, of Edenton, N. C., whose citation declares that "on June 11, 1944, near Carentan, France, while his organization was pinned down by intense enemy machinegun and mortar fire, he, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, moved in to the front lines, administering first aid and removing the wounded, thereby saving the lives of many wounded soldiers. His conduct was in accordance with the highest standards of military service,"

CAPTAIN JOHN H. KILMER, MC, of Fort Wayne, Ind., whose citation declares that "his battalion suffered severe casualties when its position was heavily shelled in Italy from May 28 to June 2, 1944. He moved through the battalion area while firing was in progress, supervising first aid for all wounded and directing evacuation. His efforts were an inspiration to the troops of the battalion and undoubtedly were responsible for saving many lives. His courage and devotion to duty reflect high credit on the Armed Forces.

Captain Roger E. Watson, MC, of Perrysburg, Ohio, whose citation declares that "during the entire period of June 6 to 15, 1944, in France, his untiring efforts with his unit in immediate contact with the enemy exhibited outstanding judgment as a soldier and a surgeon. It was largely because of his excellent supervision and instructions to others in tactical situations while under enemy fire that he could leave our own forces three times to render medical aid to wounded French civilians. On one occasion eight Germans surrounded the house in which he was attending a wounded French child. Because of his coolness and dignity of bearing, the enemy withdrew and permitted him to complete his work and return to our lines. His courage, skill, and ability reflect great credit upon himself and the military service."

The Bronze Star was awarded to:

LIEUTENANT COLONEL WILLIS B. JOHNSON, MC, of Everett, Wash., whose citation declares that "from July 30 to August 28, 1943, at New Georgia, British Solomon Islands, he was in command of a medical battalion which moved from Guadalcanal into close support positions on New Georgia under enemy air and ground attacks. The effective evacuation and field treatment of casualties under the most trying conditions of terrain and weather during this operation were largely due to this high professional and military knowledge as well as his determination."

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ROBERT E. DANIELS, MC, of Decatur, Ind., who was cited for "distinguishing himself by meritorious achievement as Division Surgeon in connection with extensive military operations in France."

MAJOR EDMUND G. BEACHAM, MC, of Baltimore, Md., whose citation was for meritorious achievement in military operations against the enemy from June 7 to July 4, 1944, in Normandy, France. (continued on next page)

MAJOR JOHN A. BURDEN, MC, of Maui, Territory of Hawaii, whose citation was for "meritorious services against the Japanese forces at New Georgia and Vella Lavella, British Solomon Islands, from July 21 to December 18, 1943.

CAPTAIN MARK W. DICK, MC, of Grand Rapids, Mich., whose citation declares that "on March 12, 1944, at Bougainville, Solomon Islands, while enemy mortar shells exploded around him, he ran 40 yards and crawled under a barbed wire entanglement to reach a seriously wounded soldier. Finding that the nature of the man's wounds made it impossible to move him to the protection of a pillbox, he unhesitatingly exposed himself and stood in an upright position to administer medical treatment during the intense mortar barrage."

CAPTAIN SION F. SHERRILL, MC, of Belle Forche, S. D. who was cited for "meritorious services against the Japanese forces at Guadalcanal, British Solomon Islands, January 19, 1943.

CAPTAIN CHARLES S. BECKER, MC, of Jamestown, N. Y., who was cited for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Bougain-ville, Solomon Islands, April 6, 1944."

CAPTAIN KARL J. CHIAPELLA, MC, of Chico, Calif., whose citation declares that "at 1:30 A.M. on February 29, 1944, in Italy, 40 to 50 rounds of enemy artillery shells fell in an area 15 to 80 yards from a clearing station, killing one man and wounding several others. Despite the proximity of bursting shells and with complete disregard for personal safety, he treated casualties and directed the evaluation of patients from the unprotected hospital tents to foxholes and the patients were given the maximum protection. His outstanding actions assuaged the patients and prevented many casualties."

CAPTAIN ISBIN S. GIDDENS, MC, of Ray City, Ga., whose citation declares that "bt New Georgia Island, Solomon Islands, he demonstrated an untiring devotion to duty, high personal courage and a marked degree of professional skill when by prompt action and efficient surgery, he saved the life of a soldier who was seriously wounded. He traversed 400 yards of terrain covered by hostile fire to reach the stricken man, and working in a slit trench during a heavy rain, performed a most difficult suture of the jugular vein. Because the soldier was too weak to move, Captain Giddens remained with him throughout the night, evacuating him the following morning."

CAPTAIN ROY E. HANFORD, MC, of Sandpoint, Idaho, whose citation declares that "during an intense enemy artillery barrage on April 6, 1944, near Anzio, Italy, a detachment tent of a hospital was struck by an enemy shell. With other medical officers who were on duty with him at an adjacent hospital, he immediately rushed to the scene of the shelling and administered treatment to a number of seriously wounded soldiers. Although the area was under continual bombardment, they remained at the perilous task of rendering medical aid and expediting the quick removal of casualties for additional treatment. Their heroic performance reflects the finest traditions of the Medical Corps."

Captain Maurice Stamler, MC, of Beardstown, Ill., whose citation declares that "on October 26, 1943, in Italy, he moved through an enemy artillery concentration which was falling at the rate of eight rounds per minute to the aid of three seriously wounded Infantrymen who had been struck by fragments of an enemy shell. Arriving some time before his ambulance, he worked 45 minutes, with enemy shells bursting within 50 yazds of him, administering aid to these wounded men. Upon arrival of the ambulance after the enemy artillery fire had ceased, he directed their evacuation. His utter disregard for personal safety in this gallant action is deserving of the highest praise."

CAPTAIN RALPH L. I. PHILLIPS, MC, of Columbus, Ohio, whose citation declares that "on March 14, 1944, at Bougainville, Solomon Islands, he unhesitatingly crawled through an open area, under intense machinegun fire to give medical aid to several soldiers and a wounded officer. His courage and alert action inspired other members of the patrol who dispersed the enemy, kalling four and taking one prisoner!

CAPTAIN ROSCOE I. MCFADDEN, MC, of Madison College, Tenn., whose citation declares that "during an intense enemy artillery barrage on April 6, 1944, near Anzio. Italy, a detachment tent of a hospital was struck by an enemy shell. With other medical officers who were on duty with him at an adjacent hospital, he immediately rushed to the scene of the shelling and administered treatment to a number of seriously wounded soldiers. Although the area was under continual bombardment, they remained at the perilous task of rendering medical aid and expediting the quick removal of casualties for additional treatment. Their heroic performance reflects the finest traditions of the Medical Corps."